

MINUTES OF THE
EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORKSHOP MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 15, 2004
(Approved December 6, 2004)

The Board of Supervisors held their Workshop Meeting on Monday, November 15, 2004. Present for the meeting were supervisors David K. Leinbach, Robert F. Preston and W. Atlee Rinehart. Also, in attendance was John A. Koury, Jr., Township Solicitor. Mr. Leinbach called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

1. MINUTES

Minutes of the November 1, 2004 Monthly Meeting

Mr. Preston moved to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2004 monthly meeting as amended. Mr. Rinehart seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Amendments being under subheading, Earl Drive Drainage Improvements, provide clarification that the drainage water will be split between Spring Creek Lane and East Cedarville Road, under subheading, Adjournment, will read "The Board of Supervisors monthly meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. An executive session was held to discuss a legal matter. The Board of Supervisors will hold an executive session on November 2, 2004 to discuss personnel matters."

Minutes of the November 8, 2004 Special Meeting

Mr. Rinehart moved to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2004 special meeting as presented. Mr. Preston seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Ray Kolb provided clarification to The Pottstown Mercury article that stated the Township banned the school buses from utilizing the Township bridges when, in fact, the school district was first approached by the County regarding County bridges. Mr. Leinbach stated the Township responded appropriately by denying a waiver request made by the bus company to use the Township bridges.

Mr. Leinbach stated a \$10,000 grant was received for a regional Park and Recreation study.

3. REPORTS

Reports from Various Departments and Committees

Mr. Preston moved to approve the reports from various departments and committees as presented. Mr. Rinehart seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Fund Balances Report

Mr. LaLonde read the fund balance total listed below. Mr. Rinehart moved to accept the fund balances report as read. Mr. Preston seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Fund	Checking	Money Market	CDs	Total
General	\$23,472.38	\$61,921.58		\$85,393.96
Capital Reserve		\$999.75		\$999.75
Highway Aid	\$103,360.31	\$21,880.52		\$125,240.83
Sanitary Sewer	\$4,431.69	\$452.46		\$4,884.15
Phase I Sewer Escrow		\$75.45		\$75.45
Police Safety	\$3,662.82			\$3,662.82
TOTAL				\$220,256.96

Contexant Water Users Fund

\$2,302.17

4. OTHER BUSINESS

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Cingular Conditional Use Hearing

The Township Solicitor is to contact Cingular regarding obtaining an extension for the conditional use hearing.

Parkerford Traffic Improvements

Parkerford traffic improvements will be discussed at the December 20, 2004 workshop meeting.

Sanatoga Road Gate

There was a discussion regarding the closure of the Sanatoga Road gate. The Board stated the gate would remain open.

Sunshine Act

Mr. Leinbach moved to distribute the Township Solicitor correspondence dated August 19, 2004 concerning the Sunshine Act to all Township Committee and Commission members. Mr. Rinehart seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Budget

Discussion of the 2005 budget was tabled to the November 22, 2004 Board of Supervisors special meeting. There was a brief discussion regarding healthcare options.

6. PAYMENT OF BILLS

Mr. Preston moved to approve payment of the bills as presented minus the Maillie Falconerio check. Mr. Rinehart seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

7. ADDITIONAL ITEMS BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD

There was a discussion regarding the Bealer Subdivision and proposed widening of South Keim Street. Mr. Emerson Bealer, Sr. and Mr. Glen Kelczewski of Conver and Smith Engineering, Inc. were present. Mr. Preston moved to accept proposed widening of S. Keim Street between Bealer Road and the curve approximately 740 feet long in accordance with Township Engineer letter dated November 9, 2004 inclusive of Conver and Smith

Engineering, Inc. Plan No. T-03-025-PW. Mr. Rinehart seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Leinbach stated the Board received a letter from Mr. Lane Daylor, Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor, regarding the appointment of an alternate Zoning Hearing Board member. Mr. Preston noted he did not want to vote without ample notification of such appointment. The alternate member may be needed for the current zoning hearing concerning the Parkerford Church of the Brethren property. The Board of Supervisors is the proper entity to appoint the Zoning Hearing Board alternate. Mr. Leinbach noted the Board might want to impose conditions concerning the zoning hearing for the Parkerford Church of the Brethren property. It was requested Mr. Daylor contact the applicant to request an extension of the hearing and the Township Office contact Mr. Ronald Elliott, Zoning Hearing Board member, to determine if Mr. Elliott will be abstaining from such hearing. Mr. Preston moved to authorize the Township Solicitor represent the Board of Supervisors and present list of conditions at the aforementioned hearing. Mr. Rinehart seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Supervisors signed the Orchard Ridge On-Site Wastewater Facilities Agreement.

Mr. Rinehart inquired about the taxes on the Maack property and the possibility of the land being placed in Act 319. The Township Manager was asked to obtain the exact tax amount for the Maack property.

Mr. Preston suggested the Earl Drive drainage improvement plan be put in the 2005 budget, requested the Township Engineer prepare a concept map for this year and submit a proposal for tap-in fee calculations.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The workshop meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m. An executive session was held to discuss potential litigation.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert F. Preston,
Township Secretary/Treasurer